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of Phi Delta Kappa had been regularly installed at the University of Pennsylvania, and the installation of the officers of Tau Chapter by the National Treasurer, at which point President Leroy A. King of Tau Chapter took the chair.

At six o'clock the group sat down to a banquet at the Rittenhouse Hotel. It was during this banquet that one of the most impressive happenings of the day occurred. Shortly after the first course had been served three or four telegrams of congratulations were delivered. By eight-thirty o'clock messages carrying good wishes had come from every chapter in the country and from the national officers. Even though the writer was in on the secret, he could not help but be thrilled by the feeling which came to him of being one of a great body of men united by a common ideal.

After the banquet, with Henry J. Humpstone acting as toastmaster,

the following program of speeches occurred:

"The Past," Edwin A. Lee, Pittsburgh.

"The Present," Charles W. Hunt, Columbia.

"The Future," William C. Ash, Pennsylvania.

"All Time," Frank P. Graves, Dean of the School of Education, Pennsylvania.

After the set program there were many impromptu speeches, all of which seemed to re-echo the thought which was in the writer's mind, "We are one of a great company."

All too soon the inevitable time for catching the train arrived. The committee departed with the feeling that in Tau Chapter, Phi Delta Kappa had gained a group of men who will be of distinct value to the Fraternity, and that it had been a privilege to have had the opportunity of welcoming Pennsylvania to membership.

The Installation of Ohio State

F. W. SCHACHT, National President.

The writer spent one of the pleasantest days of his life at Columbus, Ohio, on the occasion of the installation of a chapter of Phi Delta Kappa at Ohio State University, December 1. From the moment he was met at the station by President Eddington and Secretary Welday, he was not allowed to do a single thing for himself that could possibly be done for him by the enthusiastic young members-to-be of the Phi Delta Kappa. What they did not do was done by the faculty men, who were already Phi Delta Kappa men, namely Professors Samuel W. Brown, J. E. Evans, George R. Twiss and Eldon Usry and Professor George F. Arps, who entertained this group at

dinner at his delightful home in the afternoon.

A walk through the college campus was no small part of the pleasure. The campus lies on both sides of the river, and the view toward the farm, which lies on the opposite side of the river from the old campus, is most attractive. The old campus is perhaps as beautiful as that of any of the colleges of the Middle West, and a portion of it is still the primeval forest, partially cleared, it is true, with paths running thru it, but essentially as it was before the white man came to disturb its serenity and solitude.

The installation itself was the crowning feature of a delightful day.

The boys were "put thru" in groups of five, the first two groups by the faculty members and the writer, the last group by the newly elected officers of the Chapter. It was in the last group that two of the "victims" chose "the Republican Party" and "Woman Suffrage" as the theses they elected to defend against the attacks of their fellows, and they experienced some difficulty in having even the question accepted.

After the installation, all of the men proceeded to the banquet hall of the Chittenden, where the installing committee and the poor fellows who had been so unfortunate as to be called upon to speak to some self chosen topic, not to forget the officers, who had their first experience in initiating men under the critical, though sympathetic eyes of the old timers, recovered from their strenuous work of the preceding three hours; and the recovery was complete.

The appointments were perfect, the dinner left nothing to be wished for, the decorations were red and white carnations, and the addresses were snappy and not too long. There were on the program four talks, and an address by the National President. Instead, because the N. P. had not been forewarned that he was to be called upon, and because, moreover, he had expected to be compelled to leave the moment the installation was over, there were four good addresses and a rambling talk

by the writer, which, however, was generously received. Indeed, he who was at twelve, noon, an utter stranger to all but two people, was before twelve, midnight, made to feel that he was among friends, and brothers, in fact, and not merely in the name, Phi Delta Kappa.

Side Lights.

The young enthusiastic men forming this, at the time our newest chapter, taxed themselves somewhat heavily to start their career as members of Phi Delta Kappa with all their financial obligations toward the Fraternity discharged, and a reserve to go on.

That the Fraternity needs a ritual of some kind to be used in installing a new chapter seemed to be the consensus of opinion among the committee. As it was, we were compelled to use a modification of the Chicago ritual. The very fact that such a term can be used—the Chicago ritual—seems to the writer to present an anomalous situation. In his opinion there should be a Phi Delta Kappa ritual, and not twenty different rituals, one for each chapter. That rituals be allowed to differ somewhat to meet local conditions may be conceded, but that they should differ so much that it is difficult to recognize a resemblance, cannot possibly be insisted on. Or can it? The columns of the Phi Delta Kappan is the place to air your views.

Reminiscences of the Seventh National Council

JAY BARTON, Missouri.

Brother Barton was a visitor at the sessions of the Seventh Council and we have asked him to write a communication giving his impressions of the meeting.—Managing Editor.

The Gladstone was filled. Not a room could be obtained. And although the Ingersol declared the

time to be nearly eight, there was no Phi Delta Kappa man to be found.